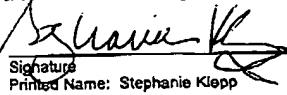


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In re application of:) Group Art Unit: 2512
DAVID T. HOGE et al.) Examiner: W. Korzuch
Serial No. 08/377,450)
Filed: January 24, 1995) Attorney Docket No. 92-080-PDX
For: HELICAL SCAN TRANSPORT FOR SINGLE REEL TAPE CARTRIDGE

**SUPPLEMENTAL PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.181(a)
TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT BASED ON FAILURE TO RECEIVE
OFFICE ACTION (MPEP 711.03(c)(ii))**

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS
Washington, D.C. 20231

On December 18, 2000, Applicants' attorney received a Notice of Allowability dated December 13, 2000 (paper no. 30), requesting new formal drawings and setting a three month deadline for responding to such requirement (see Attachment A). Formal drawings were mailed to the USPTO on February 8, 2001 (see Attachment B), within the specified three month deadline. Applicants' attorney was then awaiting receipt of a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Transmittal form from the USPTO, which was never received. A search of the file jacket and docket records indicates that the Office communication was not received. A copy of the docket records where the non-received office communication would have been entered had it been received and docketed is attached hereto as Attachments C1 and C2.

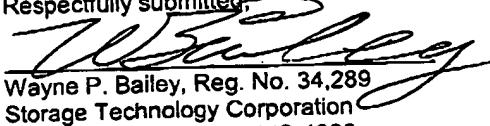
Applicants thus request that this petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment (as received by Applicants' attorney on June 15, 2001), by way of a Notice of Abandonment (which, by the way, is also labeled as paper no. 30, the same paper number as the Notice

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of Allowability), be granted as a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Transmittal form were never received by Applicants' attorney.

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